

MORE HARD LUCK FOR "CAP" ANSON

Pulliam Wrathfully Declares That He Is the Man to Boss the Umpires.

WILL HAVE NO SINECURE

Friends of Old Diamond Hero Wanted to Land Him in Easy Berth.

More hard luck for "Cap" Anson. The 60-year-old manager of the Washington Senators has to take a few high hurdles before he can land the job of National League umpire, suggested the other day by Owner Murphy, of the Cubs.

Colonel Harry Pulliam has come to bat with the remark that he is still president of the National League, and that when he wants anybody to do his work of inspecting umpires he will call for help. All of which means that Mr. Murphy, of the Cubs, stirred up a hornet's nest when, without consulting Pulliam, he recommended a change in the method of handling the National League umpires.

If there is anything in the world that Pulliam is touchy about it is the umpire question. The colonel gives his entire time in the playing season to the task of managing his staff of arbitrators. He takes a pardonable pride in the work of his officials, and naturally flared up when the suggestion to let Anson do the work was offered.

Pulliam has put his foot down on the proposition, and has added that if Murphy wants to hand Anson a sinecure he can appoint him as scout for the Cubs.

Takes Shot at Johnson. According to Murphy, Ben Johnson is keeping the best umpire in the world from working in the National League this coming season. Murphy used to say that Hank O'Day was the best ump on earth, but yesterday he made it strong that Owens, who umpired several games in the National League at the close of the last season, was the leader of all the arbitrators. And maybe it is because Owens is such a good man that Murphy regrets so keenly that the National League fans won't see him perform the coming season.

It will be recalled that Owens gave excellent satisfaction in the few games he umpired for Pulliam at the close of the season, and it was supposed that he would be back on the job next season. But shortly after January 1st, President O'Brien, of the American Association, announced that he had signed Owens for his league.

The National League were at a loss to understand the switch. They supposed that any sane man would prefer a National League job to one in the minors. O'Brien said nothing, except that he had a right to offer Owens a contract and Owens had the right to accept or reject such contract.

Arrives at Conclusion. Murphy now comes out and says that it is plain to him that the American League president is going to pay Owens the difference between what he can make in the American Association and what he might make in the National League, and that at the end of the season of 1939 Johnson will sign him to an American League contract.

HOLDING HIS CATCHERS.

McGraw Realizes That Good Article Is Hard to Find.

NEW YORK, January 23.—Manager McGraw will have about thirty-two men in his backstop for the coming season. McGraw has been ordered to be in camp on March 1st. The men who live in training at Marlin Springs, Louis, about February 18th, the Easterners will meet McGraw in New York on February 18th.

McGraw, however, will hold on to all his young catchers until he has had a chance to see them work. He realizes that catchers are very scarce just now, and if there is anything good in the lot he wants to know.

Of course, McGraw and Needham are sure of a berth, and so is Wilson. But he also has Meyer, for whom he paid a high price to the Indianapolis club, and Wilson, who says he is coming to a coming star. "There is no doubt," McGraw says, "that Meyer is a good player, and Wilson is not yet high-salaried players, and neither is Needham, for that matter."

Among the pitchers who will have to report early are Marquard and Durocher. McGraw wants to have this pair to himself for about two weeks. Marquard requires a lot of training. Not that his arm is slow coming around, but he must be taught a lot of things in a big league which are not required of a pitcher in a minor organization.

McGraw still has hopes of having

Will Robinson, the old Baltimore

catcher, with him at Marlin. Robinson

is the kind of a coach McGraw

needs. Robble was one of the

craftiest backstops in the business, and

he would show Marquard just how to

use all the stuff that he can put on

the ball. The club is going to give

Donlin plenty of time to report.

American Team for English Polo Tournament



HARRY PAYNE WHEENEY, of the Meadowbrook Polo Club, DEVEREUX MILBURN, of the Meadowbrook Polo Club.

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Baseball Briefs

It turns out that Cincinnati's new catcher, Frank Roth, is an ineligible, who will have to be reinstated by the National Commission, as he was one of the Milwaukee team which played against outlaws clubs.

The Cincinnati club recently secured first baseman Dan McGinnis from Boston and then turned him over to the Milwaukee club for catcher Frank Roth, who holds the world's record for home runs—thirty-six in one season.

A St. Louis sensation-monger last week sprung a story to the effect that President Brush of the New York club, had purchased the controlling interest in the St. Louis club. Mr. Brush emphatically denied it.

John Kling, the Chicago Cubs' catcher, of the special, will be with the Brooklyn club after his trip to California, Chairman Herrmann presented to him several pounds of mail for his personal and opinion.

Manager Billy Murray has finally decided on Southern Pines, N. C., as the training camp for the Phillies. This is a noted golf center, but it's all right so long as Sherwood Magee doesn't get into the habit of slicing his drives.

Barney Dreyfus says the 1939 players are due to report their performance of 1938, 1937 and 1936, when they won three successive pennants on the Pulliam circuit. He is also confident that Wagner will play ball next season, circus or no circus.

President Hermann, of Cincinnati, has abandoned all hope of getting Jake Stahl from the Boston Americans. John I. Taylor was willing to let J. Garland escape from the Hub, but Bob Hodges, of the St. Louis Browns, refused to waive claim on the big fellow.

Elmer Stricklett, known across the

continent as the Christopher Columbus

of the special, will be with the Brooklyn

club next year if the National Commission

will reinstate him. President

Stahl and Stricklett are negotiating

as to terms, and if they get together

the pitcher will apply to the commis-

sion at once.

RICHMOND LEADS BOWLING LEAGUE

Game This Week With Front Royal to Be Played by Telegraph.

The Virginia State Bowling League, which opened the season last Monday night, gives every promise of success, all four teams having made a good showing.

Richmond has held the lead so far, with Norfolk as a close second. Captain Haw, of Lynchburg, and Captain Kelly, of Portsmouth, have signed some new men to strengthen their teams, and from now on it will be nip and tuck as to which will capture the pennant.

The following is the standing of the clubs:

Club	Played	Pins	Average
Richmond	3	1,378	466
Norfolk	3	1,373	458
Portsmouth	3	1,256	428
Lynchburg	3	1,284	432

Many Outside Games.

Manager Whitman, of the Newport Allies, has already signed a great many match games with outside teams from other cities and States. The first will take place Wednesday night, when Richmond will play a series of three games with a strong team from Front Royal, Va., by Western Union telegraph.

Front Royal has beaten every team that she has come in contact with this year, but she will find her match when she tackles the Richmond boys. The following is the schedule at the Newport this week:

Monday night, Richmond and Portsmouth.

Tuesday night, Swift & Co. and Federal Cigar Company.

Wednesday night, Richmond and Front Royal.

Thursday night, Norfolk and Lynchburg.

Friday night, Newport and Lake teams.

Saturday night, open to all.

Some High Scores.

Following are some high scores made this week:

TENPINS.

Whitman 253

Bell 248

Rowsey 248

Harper 227

Roy 225

Cullen 223

Blanton 219

Sutterlin 215

Spilling 212

Dowling 212

Menting 210

Balley 208

DUCKPINS.

Whitman 146

Edwards 134

Martin 134

Kelly 129

Dowling 124

Lloyd 120

Haw 120

Knowles 119

Burgess 117

Sublett 114

Bagby 112

PEITZ MAY LAND

Believed That He Will Manage Louisville Next Season.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., January 23.—Whether or not Jimmy Burke will return to manage the Colonels next season is the question which is vexing local fans to-day. Burke in a special from St. Louis, is reported as having returned a contract for \$2,500 tendered by Owner George Taboun, and to have demanded \$7,500 for his services. The consensus of opinion locally is that the popular manager will not get this sum.

Last year Burke drew \$600 a month for five months' services. In case he Tebeau will come to terms, Heine Peitz probably will get the managerial job.

HE WOULD FIGHT BLACK CHAMPION

Marvin Hart Announces That He Is Going After Bout With Johnson.

NEW YORK, January 23.—Marvin Hart has come out of his hole, and announces his intention of going after Arthur Johnson.

Marvin, through his manager, John F. Seltz, rises to remark that the records show he whipped Johnson once and can do it again. At all events he wants to try.

According to the dope, Marvin ought to have the privilege of a go with the black champion. Mr. Seltz says:

"You can say for both Hart and myself that we are not convinced that Johnson can beat Marvin, and if there is any way in which I can get a match with him I will guarantee to prove it. Hart tried time and again to get a return match with Burns, but the foxy 'Tommy' wanted no more of his game. He knew that he would be beaten if he did, for it was plain to almost every one that Hart was in no condition to fight when Burns beat him."

The Stanley Ketchell-Arthur Johnson go is a regular "Marguerite" affair. It is a case of "He loves me; he loves me not," right along. One report comes that Ketchell will fight Johnson. Then immediately follows a denial, and so it goes.

Ketchell says he can fight at 185 pounds. If his true fighting weight is 155 pounds, the question of size should not stand in the way of a match, for in the old days, when fighting men were at least as good as they are now, it was held that any weight above that figure was more apt to be a handicap than a help to a man.

According to one story, Ketchell has it all figured out how he can beat Johnson. The conqueror of Papke concedes the Ethiopian the advantage in height and weight, but stops there. He states that Johnson's cleverness has been far overrated, and that he has met and defeated men fully as shifty as the heavyweight title-holder. Ketchell further asserts that he can hit as hard as Johnson, and that he will advocate continued body blows to wear him down.

Ketchell appears to be firmly convinced that Johnson would win under a shower of hard body blows, and that he would thus be enabled to wrest the negro's laurels from him in a long-distance go.

In the meantime, how about Jeff? Will the big fellow reconsider and swap the raising of alfalfa for a short, sweet crop of yellow backs? As partial answer to this question comes a story from the West to the effect that Jeffries has decided to go on tour with Al Kaufman as a sparring partner, with the main purpose in view of turning Kaufman up for a championship fight and incidentally raking in a few shekels.

I am inclined to the belief that if Jeff finds championship timber in Kaufman he will not fight. If not, and provided he finds he can train on without too great effort, he will take on Johnson, and rescue the championship from the Black Hand.

Sam Langford and his manager, Joe Woodman, are disgusted at the way in which all the fighters out on the coast have absolutely refused to meet Langford, and they intend to start back for Boston in a few days with the hope of getting on a bout with some of the big fellows in the East. "I have made all the fighters good offers to meet Sam," said Woodman last night, "but still they decline to take him on."

Bert Keyes, the local lightweight, is going to New Orleans to fight "Cy-clone Johnny" Thompson, the Western crack fighter. They will battle for twenty-five rounds during Mardi Gras week. It should be a sizzling battle.

Al Lippe, manager of Abe Attell, announces that he has completed arrangements to have Attell box Howard Smith, of Elizabeth, before an athletic club at Dayton between January 30th and February 9th. He also says that Attell will meet both Moran and Driscoll in Philadelphia next month.

Jim Galvin, the Irish middleweight,

A WORLD'S CHAMPION



MISS MAY SUTTON, is planning to play in the national championship tennis tournament which will be held at Wissahickon Heights, near Philadelphia, early in June.

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\$100,000 Purse in Sight for Johnson

LONDON, January 23.—Friends of Jack Johnson, heavyweight champion of the world, received a cable from the Negro yesterday, which said he would leave Australia for London February 17th, and that his first business here would be to arrange the details of his coming bout with Sam Langford before the National Sporting Club.

There is now a prospect of Johnson being offered a purse of \$100,000 to meet Jim Jeffries. Johnson's friends say that the negro is not worrying to any extent over Jeffries returning to the ring and issuing a challenge for a fight for the title, even for such a stupendous purse as \$100,000. This is owing to the fact that Johnson thinks he can earn that much in English music halls during the next two years.

has been matched to meet Tony Ross in a six-round bout which will take place before the Wiley Athletic Club of Mechanicville, January 25th. The men will box at catch weights.

SHEPARD ENTERS INDOOR OLYMPIC

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boys for the various events in the contest for the point trophy and for the relay teams. The Washington School for Boys expects to make a strong bid for the District scholastic championship relay, and has a most promising lot of youngsters from whom to pick a team. The squads at Technical, business and Western High are beginning to come in good style, and the boys in the graded schools are working hard every day for the relay championship and the sprints. The classification of all relay teams will be practically completed within the next week or ten days. The teams which will represent Washington in the intercity race against Baltimore will be held in the Young Men's Christian Association gymnasium the night of February 15th.

"SUNNY JIM"

A Once Famous Jockey, Died at the City Hospital.

CINCINNATI, O., January 23.—Death won the race against "Sunny Jim," a once famous colored jockey, at the City Hospital. Away back in the 'eighties James Shy, as he was also known on the track, but whose real name was Jimmie Shy, died of a heart attack, and, owing to his recklessness, was often called the suicide jockey. As a steeplechase rider he had no peer, and for nine years he was attached to the Kildrop stables.

August 16, 1886, was a red letter day for Latonia. On that day since then the city was gathered at the race-track to see a hurdle race, in which a number of famous horses were scheduled, and among them Sunny Buck, the favorite. "Sunny Jim" rode Sunny Buck, and the "talent" believed they had a walkover when they laid their money on the favorite. There was no hitch in starting the horses, and all went well, with Sunny Buck in the lead in the home stretch. Suddenly there was a bunching of the flying equines, and Sunny Buck was seen to lurch forward and almost turn a double somersault, sending her rider over her head. When the trackmen arrived upon the scene the horse was dead of a broken neck, and Jim, the jockey, lay unconscious. It was found that he had sustained a broken back, and for a time his life was despaired of. After months he recovered, however, but ever since he had been paralyzed from the hip downward. A married daughter, Kate Smith, had been caring for him since last his condition presaged his coming end, and he was taken to the City Hospital, where he died.

DEFEATS TENNESSEE.

Asheville Quint Now Claims Championship of Three States.

ASHEVILLE, N. C., January 23.—The Asheville Y. M. C. A. basketball team defeated the University of Tennessee, reputed to be the champions of Tennessee, by the score of 23 to 19 on the local floor last night.

By this victory the locals claim the championship of three States, having previously defeated all teams played in North Carolina and the Spartanburg Y. M. C. A. the champions of South Carolina. An effort is being made to compete for the Southern championship in the near future.

WITH THE HORSES AT THUNDERBOLT

Largest Attendance of Meeting Out to See Yesterday's Card Run Off.

SAVANNAH, GA., January 23.—The largest attendance of the meeting marked the Thunderbolt racing this afternoon. The weather was spring-like, and the last event being a local race between boys mounted on their own ponies, served to largely increase the attendance. In the third race Racquet almost knocked Slaky down on the second turn. In the fifth race Big Hand moved up strong in the last eighth, forging from last place to first.

First race—purse, \$150; three-year-olds and up, selling, six furlongs—Miss Koss (3 to 1) first, Merise (6 to 5) second, Arkawaka (5 to 1) third. Time, 1:10 2-5.

Second race—purse, \$150; three-year-olds and up, selling, one mile—St. Abe (5 to 1) first, Charles G. Gates (5 to 1) second, Flarney (3 to 5) third. Time, 1:46.

Third race—purse, \$150; three-year-olds and up, selling, six furlongs—Big Hand (4 to 5) first, Nioless (3 to 1) second, Sam Clay (7 to 5) third. Time, 1:13.

Fourth race—purse, \$150; for three-year-olds and up, selling, five furlongs—Malvina (6 to 5) first, Solide (4 to 5) second, Spiglet Banner (3 to 1) third. Time, 1:05.

Fifth race—purse, \$150; three-year-olds and up, selling, six furlongs—Big Hand (4 to 5) first, Nioless (3 to 1) second, Sam Clay (7 to 5) third. Time, 1:13.

Entries for Monday.

First race—three-year-olds and up, non-winners of more than one race at this meeting; one mile—Clifton Forge, 119; Charles G. Gates, 105; Gramsair, 107; Arawaka, 195; Leonard J. Hayman, 102; Haloway, 103.

Second race—three-year-olds and up, selling, six furlongs—Galileo, 267; Flarney, 110; Riccadonna, 105; Besterling, 192; Countermand, 110.

Third race—three-year-olds and up, selling, five and one-half furlongs—St. Noel, 104; May Jene, 107; Zofar, 103; Tamachelt, 193; Roger Deceverly, 95; Hugh Farrell, 101.

Fourth race—four-year-olds and up, selling, six furlongs—Sam Clay, 104; W. G. Williams, 105; Nioless, Arawaka, 103; Suduth, Jatra, 107; Hayman, 102; Lady Fitzherbert, 105; Miss K. O. B., 102.

Fifth race—four-year-olds and up, about seven furlongs—Whiskbroom, 109; Euripides, 100; Ray Thompson, 105; Coincident, 95; Miss Marjory, 100; Boston Friend, 100; Riccadonna, 85.

*Apprentice allowance. Clear, fast.

ON LOCAL ALLEYS.

Vaden and Dreyer Took Down Prizes for Highest Scores.

Vaden and Dreyer were the prize-winners at the Lake Bowling Alley last week, the former winning on Tuesday night and the latter on Thursday night. Wednesday night L. Cosby made an average of 1,094 pins in ten games in duckpins.

Friday night the Huxters, Laundrymen and Builders were defeated by the Laundrymen, Plumbers and Builders by a majority of 65 pins in five games. The match was very close throughout, and was enjoyed by a large crowd of enthusiasts.

Following were the total scores of the players: Laundrymen, Plumbers and Builders—M. P. Gordon, 421; J. Follard, 425; C. H. Cosby, 524; A. Bell, 452; T. H. Campbell, 435. Total, 2,257.

Huxters, Laundrymen and Builders—H. O. Tiller, 411; F. B. Hatcher, 425; H. Hecker, 390; R. Gordon, 513; L. Lewis, 460. Total, 2,199.

Following were some of the high scores for the week: Duckpins—C. L. Cosby, 138; A. Bell, 130; R. Gordon, 131; Vaden, 118; Dreyer, 112; Davis, 109; Tenpins—C. L. Cosby, 125; E. G. White, 215; M. Saul, 205; D. Drummans, 202.

Wednesday night the Newport team will play the Capital team of the Lake Alley, the third game of the series. The Lake team has a lead of 28 pins in the two games played.

Willie Fitzgerald has a signal to meet Young Donahue in a twelve-round bout at Boston on January 26th. Willie hopes to win by the K.O. route.

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